

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An electromagnetic relay in which a moving contact plate and fixed contact plates are juxtaposed with one another on a base, a moving iron plate is rotated on the basis of magnetization/demagnetization of a coil block put on said base to reciprocate a card in a horizontal direction, and said moving contact plate is allowed to undergo elastic deformation so that a moving contact provided to said moving contact plate is brought into contact with and out of contact from fixed contacts provided to said fixed contact plates, wherein:

each corner at a first portion at a the top edge at each corner of said moving contact plate is bent into an upper component, and a second portion at the top edge at each corner of said moving contact plate is bent into a lower component in such a fashion as to form card acceptance portions, and a distal end portion of said card is brought into direct contact with an inner surface of said card acceptance portions.

2. (Original) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 1, wherein said card has a guide portion for guiding said card acceptance portions formed on said moving contact plate from both sides.
3. (Original) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 2, wherein said card has a reduced thickness portion guided by said card acceptance portions, and ribs reinforcing said reduced thickness portion guide said card acceptance portions.

4. (Previously Presented) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 1, wherein said fixed contact plate is interposed between said moving contact plate and said coil block so that a bent portion at a distal end thereof is positioned above a push-in position of said moving contact plate, and said card acceptance portion of said moving contact plate has an escape portion for allowing insertion of said fixed contact plate.
5. (Previously Presented) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 2, wherein said fixed contact plate is interposed between said moving contact plate and said coil block so that a bent portion at a distal end thereof is positioned above a push-in position of said moving contact plate, and said card acceptance portion of said moving contact plate has an escape portion for allowing insertion of said fixed contact plate.
6. (Previously Presented) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 3, wherein said fixed contact plate is interposed between said moving contact plate and said coil block so that a bent portion at a distal end thereof is positioned above a push-in position of said moving contact plate, and said card acceptance portion of said moving contact plate has an escape portion for allowing insertion of said fixed contact plate.